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THE CANDOKA PEACH  
(Patent Applied For)

The original tree was discovered about August 30th, 1927, near Tonasket, Washington. It was perhaps seven or eight years old, and heavily loaded with ripe fruit. It was discovered by Mr. A.T. Gossman President of the Columbia & Okanogan Nursery Company who was inspecting the orchard. The marvelous color of the fruit attracted his attention. The tree appeared to be loaded with large deep red apples:-further examination showed that the fruit not only had this intense, deep red color wherever exposed to the sun light, but that the skin was exceptionally smooth, being nearly free of fuzz or down. At the time the fruit was ready to pick, as was also the fruit on the adjoining J.H. Hale trees. The peach was found to have excellent flavor and so exceptionally firm that it would be a good shipper. It could be left on the tree until nearly tree ripened, thus assuring the <sup>consumer</sup> ~~customer~~ a peach with tree ripe flavor. This is very important as most varieties of peaches must be picked green in order to withstand shipping. As a result, they often arrive on the market somewhat withered and with inferior flavor.

The shipping qualities of this peach were tested by mailing a few of them together with some J.H. Hale peaches from an adjoining tree, to the University of California Experiment Station. We were advised that the Candoka arrived in much better condition than the J.H. Hale.

The Columbia & Okanogan Nursery Company obtained exclusive propagating rights, and has tested it thoroughly over a period of five years. It has reproduced true to type. Many expert horticulturists, shippers and growers have seen the fruit on the trees, have observed its shipping qualities and have eaten the fruit. Without exception they have been loud in its praises.

O.M. Morris, Professor of Horticulture at Washington State College, a recognized authority on commercial peach production and marketing, has the following to say: "The box of Candoka Peaches arrived in perfect condition. The quality is, I think, all that you believe it to be and I think it has very exceptional shipping qualities., I think you people will be making a mistake if you do not introduce it. I think it is a variety of our standing value. It is more firm and a better shipper than the Hale".

Mr. Fred Rea, a produce dealer of Seattle and who also owns and operates large orchard properties, planted a large number of these trees after having seen the fruit on the trees.

Mr. A.R. Chase, County Agent of Chelan County, Washington, has inspected both the tree and the fruit and has made a considerable planting.

To Sum up-The Candoka peach has the following characteristics: Color, deep yellow to flaming red-this brilliant color is very striking; skin nearly as smooth as a nectarine, it has been described as fuzzless; size very large about the same as J.H. Hale; flavor excellent-sweet and pleasing, similar to the Hale, but without the slightly bitter after taste of that variety; free-stone; Flesh, yellow, exceptionally firm, almost as solid as a clingstone. It can be left on the tree until almost tree ripe before picking for shipment; shipping qualities-the best we have observed in any free stone peach; ripening season about the same as J.H. Hale-in the Wenatchee, Washington district about August 20th to Sept. 5th.

Trees very hardy. The original tree has withstood a spring frost that killed the blossoms on J.H. Hale trees adjoining-whereas the Candoka bore a full crop. We believe it to be the most valuable peach ever discovered and worthy of extensive commercial planting.

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